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EXECUTIVE ORDER



ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY  
TO COORDINATE INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES.

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Statutes, and as President of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. A National Intelligence Authority composed of the Secretaries of State, War, Navy and an additional representative of the President of the United States is hereby established and charged with responsibility for such overall intelligence planning, ~~development, and such inspection~~ and coordination of all Federal foreign intelligence activities, as to assure the most effective accomplishment of the intelligence mission related to the national security.

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2. ~~To assist it in that task~~ the National Intelligence Authority, ~~shall establish~~ a Central Intelligence Agency headed by a Director who shall be appointed or removed by the President. The Director of the Central Intelligence Agency shall be responsible to the National Intelligence Authority and shall sit as a non-voting member thereof.

3. The Director of the Central Intelligence Agency shall be advised by an Intelligence Advisory Board consisting of the heads of the principal military and civilian intelligence agencies having functions related to the national security, as determined by the National Intelligence Authority.

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4. ~~The~~ duty of the National Intelligence Authority, assisted by the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Intelligence Advisory Board, shall be to prepare and submit to the President for his approval a basic organizational plan for implementing this executive order in accordance with the concept set forth in the following paragraphs. This plan should include drafts of all necessary legislation.

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4. Subject to the direction and control of the National Intelligence Authority, the Central Intelligence Agency shall:

- (a) Accomplish the ~~agencies~~ <sup>correlation</sup> and evaluation of departmental intelligence relating to the national security and other information collected by it and the appropriate dissemination within the government of the resulting strategic and national policy intelligence. *Full use shall be made of the staff and facilities of the established departmental*
- (b) Plan for the coordination of the activities of all <sup>intelligence</sup> ~~agencies~~ <sup>agencies</sup> intelligence agencies of the government having functions related to the national security and recommend to the National Intelligence Authority the establishment of such overall policies and objectives as will assure the most effective accomplishment of the national intelligence mission.
- (c) Perform, for the benefit of departmental intelligence agencies, such services of common concern as the National Intelligence Authority determines can be more efficiently accomplished by a common agency, including the direct procurement of intelligence.
- (d) Perform such other functions and duties related to intelligence as the President and the National Intelligence Authority may from time to time direct.

5. The Central Intelligence Agency shall have no police or law enforcement functions.

6. Subject to coordination by the National Intelligence Authority, the existing intelligence agencies of the government shall continue to collect, evaluate, <sup>correlate</sup> ~~correlate~~ and disseminate departmental operating intelligence, herein defined as that intelligence required by the several departments and independent agencies for the performance of their proper functions. Such departmental operating intelligence as designated by the National Intelligence Authority shall be freely available to the Central Intelligence

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Agency for <sup>correlation</sup> ~~information~~ As approved by the National Intelligence Authority, the operations of the departmental intelligence agencies shall be open to inspection by the Central Intelligence Agency in connection with its planning functions. In the <sup>conduct of its activities</sup> ~~interrelation of this paragraph~~ the National Intelligence Authority and the Central Intelligence Agency will be responsible for fully protecting intelligence sources and methods, ~~which, due to their nature, have a direct and highly important bearing on military operations.~~

1. Funds and personnel for the National Intelligence Authority shall be provided by the departments participating in the National Intelligence Authority in amount and proportions to be agreed upon by the members of the Authority. Within the limits of the funds made available to him, the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency may employ additional necessary personnel and make provisions for necessary supplies, facilities and services. With the approval of the National Intelligence Authority, he may call upon departments and independent agencies to furnish such specialists as may be required for supervisory and functional positions in the Central Intelligence Agency, including the assignment of military and naval personnel.

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